## California Marine Life Protection Act Initiative Nomination to the North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group

To:

MLPA Initiative

Attention NCRSG Nominations

c/o California Natural Resources Agency

1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311 Sacramento, CA 95814

Nominee:

Rob Wakefield

Commercial F/V "Lori" 6475 Northbank Road, Crescent City, CA 95531

(707) 951-0178 (no email)

Dear Selection Committee,

Mr. Rob Wakefield is an excellent candidate for the NCRSG. Mr. Wakefield is a native Del Norte County Resident, owns and operates the F/W "Lori" and is a lifelong participant in various commercial and sport fisheries of the North Coast Study Region. Mr. Wakefield is extremely knowledgeable about the various sport and commercial fisheries and methods, habitats and productive fishing grounds of the north coast.

Mr. Wakefield is highly capable of providing a well rounded viewpoint that will combine various fishery interests. He is well respected by the fishing and non-fishing community, reasonable and level-headed and will contribute in the development of a meaningful MPA array for the North Coast Study Region. Please consider Mr. Wakefield for the NCRSG.

Best regards,

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November 30, 2009

Marine Life Protection Act Initiative c/o California Natural Resources Agency 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311 Sacramento, CA 95814 Attention: NCRSG nominations

Re: North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group nominations

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Crescent City harbor is a leading fishing harbor on the Northern California coast. Our recreational and commercial fisheries are extremely important to the regional economy, and we have an emerging tourism economy dependent on access to our beaches and ocean. We are very concerned about the effect Marine Protected Areas may have on our community. We are looking forward to the opportunity to work together with the Marine Life Protection Act Initiative team and other regional interest groups to balance the conservation benefits from MPAs with the economic and cultural benefits of our traditional ocean activities.

Because the Regional Stakeholder Group will be a critical element of the process, we enthusiastically endorse the following people for the RSG,

Richard Young, Crescent City Harbor Master/CEO

Reweti Wiki, Elk Valley Rancheria

Jim Waldvogel, Smith River Advisory Council

Rob Wakefield, Commercial Fishing Vessel "Lori"

Suntayea Steinruck, Smith River Rancheria

Kirk Sparks, EcoNutrients

Megan Rocha, Yurok Tribe

Kevin McKernan, Dungeness Crab Task Force/Recreational Fisher

Zack Larson, Del Norte County Fish and Game Advisory Commission

Gerry Hemmingsen, Del Norte County Board of Supervisor

John Green, Elk Valley Rancheria

Don Gillespie, Del Norte County Resident

Brett Fahning, Commercial Fishing Vessel "Rogue"

Russ Crabtree, Smith River Rancheria

Doug Corrigan, Retired National Park Ranger/Recreational Fisherman

Bill Bowman, Del Norte County Resident/Sport Fisher

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We believe these individuals possess the local knowledge, the broad experience, and the ability to work cooperatively necessary for the MLPAI process to be successful on the North Coast. We respectfully request you include them in the North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group.

Thank you for considering our opinion.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jack B. Reese, President Board of Harbor Commissioners



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Attention NCRSG Nominations
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RE: Support for NCRSG Nominees

### Dear Selection Committee,

The Del Norte County Board of Supervisors voted to approve support a list of local residents who have committed themselves to serve on the North-Coast Regional-Stakeholder-Group-for-North-Coast Study Region of the Marine Life Protection Act Initiative. The following list of nominees includes knowledgeable North Coast Study Region stakeholders who represent diverse community and tribal interests and who are currently assisting the development of a collaborative region-wide (Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino) External MPA proposal. The Del Norte County Board of Supervisors supports the following nominees for the North Coast Regional Stakeholder Group:

Richard Young, Crescent City Harbor Master/CBO
Reweti Wiki, Elk Valley Rancheria
Jim Waldvogel, Smith River Advisory Council
Rob Wakefield, Commercial Fishing Vessel "Lori"
Suntayea Steinruck, Smith River Rancheria
Kirk Sparks, EcoNutrients
Megan Rocha, Yurok Tribe
Kevin McKeman, Dungeness Crab Task Force/Recreational Fisher
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Gerry Hemmingsen, Del Norte County Board of Supervisor
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Sincerely,

Gerry Hemmingsen,

Chair

#### SUPPORT FOR NCRSG NOMINEES

To:

MLPA Initiative, Attention NCRSG Nominations c/o California Natural Resources Agency 1416 Ninth Street, Suite 1311 Sacramento, CA 95814

I am writing to request your support the following nominees for the NCRSG. I have worked with each of the following stakeholders and believe they are well suited to work in a collaborative manner to arrive at a MPA array that supports local economies and the spirit and goals of the MLPA.

Nominees:

Richard Young, Crescent City Jim Waldvogel, Crescent City Rob Wakefield, Crescent City Megan Rocha, Yurok Tribe Zack Larson, Crescent City Gerry Hemmingsen, Crescent City Doug Corrigan, Crescent City Adam Wagshaul, Eureka Tim Klassen, Eureka Dennis Mayo, McKinleyville Kevin McGrath, Shelter Cove Jim Martin, Fort Bragg Tom Estes, Fort Bragg David Wright, Fort Bragg Bill Lemos, Mendocino Jacque Hostler, Trinidad Mike Zamboni, Trinidad Mike Carpenter, Albion

Thank you for your consideration,

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